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LEOPOLD DECLINES TO COMPROMISE ON HIS GESTURE

Brussels, Apr. 25.—The National Executive of the Belgian Liberal Party tonight passed a resolution calling on its delegates to the three-Party talks for a compromise solution to the Royal problem, to go ahead with the negotiations.

The Liberal negotiators were urged to "wind up these talks under the condition that an exercise of the Royal prerogatives by Crown Prince Baudouin will be ensured, thus allowing to achieve a national understanding."

M. Auguste Van Glabbeke, out-going Liberal Minister of Health, said, "The Flemish Liberals will never agree to a banishment of the King."

"We do not agree in this with the Socialists," he added. "Usually well-informed circles here stated tonight that 'proposals of a new Catholic-Liberal Coalition Government, under Premier Van Zeeland, are big tonight'."

M. Max Buset, Chairman of the Belgian Socialist Party, tonight accused King Leopold of sabotaging deliberately the three-Party negotiations for a compromise solution of Belgium's constitutional crisis.

"The King has adopted a take it or leave it attitude. In fact, this morning M. Van Zeeland requested the parties to answer yes or no to the King's proposals," M. Buset declared.

KING'S REFUSAL

Brussels, Apr. 25.—Exiled King Leopold of Belgium today refused to give a specific promise of what he would do after handing power to his 19-year-old son, Prince

Another Baltic Incident

Stockholm, Apr. 25.—The captain of a Swedish fishing trawler reported today that a Soviet minesweeper chased his vessel from a point off the Polish coast into Swedish territorial waters.

Alrik Johansson, of the trawler Larso, said his craft was seized and held for a time by the Russians a few months ago.

The Swedish authorities ordered an immediate investigation. Johansson said he encountered the minesweeper while he was fishing for salmon in the Baltic about 24 nautical miles off the Polish coast.—United Press.

EDITORIAL

The Hainan Debacle

THE abject failure of the Chinese Nationalist armies entrusted with the defence of Hainan is so typical of clashes with the Communist forces over the last eighteen months that to express any surprise would be bordering on the fatuous. What precisely happened, the sequence of events precipitating the collapse, cannot be absolutely determined. Invasion parties crossing the channel from Luichow were, according to the official communiques, mercilessly attacked from sea and air and suffered appalling casualties. The remnants were isolated and surrounded soon after they put foot ashore, and subsequently surrendered. In the midst of fire-cracker "victory" celebrations, the defenders found themselves attacked in the rear by guerrillas, and stampeded. That summary represents the Nationalist version of the sorry show, and of course it seems quite incredible. Mismanagement of troops, inefficiency in deployment, has been admitted, but it was also stated that the 4th and 64th armies had 60,000 men at their disposal and that at no time did they encounter enemy strength exceeding 10,000 troops. No explanation has been offered excusing such a bungling failure, but taking past record into consideration, it seems to stand out unmistakably and worryingly. The breakdown could scarcely have been so complete, and so devastating in effect, had there been a vestige of real fighting spirit in the Nationalist troops employed. The sequel follows the same despairing line. With the fall of Hainan and the opening up of Hainan's principal port to bases of Communist troops an transportation became available, the prospects of holding the

island indefinitely were negligible. Control of the northern sector was sufficient to guarantee that opposition farther south would ultimately be overcome. Even so, instant evacuation by responsible leadership, which seems to have occurred, turns the episode into worse than fiasco. The hint that 125,000 troops may be abandoned to Communist indoctrination adds to disfavor. Even keen sympathizers with the Kuomintang and the exile administration in Taiwan must feel nonplussed and disturbed. It is not only that valuable mineral resources and like assets have been jettisoned miserably to the profit of the Communists, but the effect on confidence must be shattering and likely to result in steady deterioration. If a storming raid by Communist forces can result in capture of the principal objectives within a week, why prolong the agony? If that is an example of the defensive qualities of the soldiery at present under Nationalist arms, how are the Nationalist group likely to fare when the Communists reach the stage when they mount an invasion of Taiwan? The project offers far greater difficulties. The most potent factor is the distance across the Formosa Channel between the mainland and Taiwan, and the concentration of Nationalist naval vessels in that area. Obstacles are however made to be overcome and the astonishingly rapid success of the Hainan operation will assuredly encourage the Communist leaders to strike at the first opportunity. General Chiang Kai-shek organized a so-called Commando attack on Sungmen two or three weeks ago designed to impress the United States. The Hainan debacle goes to the other side of the ledger of its own volition.

Viking Airliner Explosion



Scotland Yard officials examining the wreckage of the Viking aircraft in which an explosion occurred over the Channel. One suggestion being investigated is that the bomb was planted to kill Rear-Admiral Eric Longley Cook, Director of Naval Intelligence. (London Express Service).

Liberals Gang Up With Tories

London, Apr. 25.—The nine members of the Parliamentary Liberal Party decided tonight to vote with the Conservative Opposition against the Government's petrol tax and the tax on commercial vehicles in the House of Commons tomorrow.

Further increasing the Budget debate tension was the increase to six in the number of Labour Members who will not be able to vote because of illness.

Observers said the Government might scrape through with a majority of two.—Reuter.

Senator McCarthy Keeps On Keeping On

Washington, Apr. 25.—Senator McCarthy told the Senate today that the ex-Communist, Louis Budenz, had "put the finger on a Communist" in the State Department who holds an "important position."

Senator McCarthy said Mr Budenz did so today at the closed meeting of the Senate Foreign Affairs sub-Committee investigating Senator McCarthy's charges that the State Department is infested with Communists.

He said the Senate should know that Mr Budenz gave the sub-Committee the name of a person who "earned a high salary" in an "important post" in the State Department. He added that Mr Budenz also gave the Committee the names of a number of Communists.

The Senator did not disclose the exact number or further identify the high-salaried official. He noted that President Truman gave assurances in a speech yesterday that all Communists had been dismissed from the government.

Mr McCarthy angrily charged that Senate investigators had "excluded" him from the closed session, at which his own witness gave secret evidence on charges that Owen Lattimore, a Communist spy, Senator McCarthy, who made the charges against Mr Lattimore, said the sub-Committee also "excluded" Mr Lattimore.

Both Senator McCarthy and Mr Lattimore originally had been invited to the closed session. After talking out of the hearing room, the Senator promised a statement, "in 30 minutes," but at the appointed time he told reporters, "It is taking some time because I cannot think of the proper swear words."

STAR CHAMBER

Mr Budenz appeared before the sub-Committee to give secret evidence on Senator McCarthy's charges, including one that Mr Owen Lattimore, professor of Johns Hopkins University, is a Communist spy. Senator McCarthy and Mr Lattimore had been invited to the closed session, but the sub-Committee later reversed itself and excluded them.

Senator McCarthy took the Senate floor late in the afternoon during an angry attack by Senator William Jenner (Republican, Indiana) on what he called the sub-Committee's "star chamber" proceedings.

COMMUNIST ATTEMPTS TO PREVENT

Taft Challenges Marshall Aid

Washington, Apr. 25.—The Republican Senator, Mr Robert Taft, urged the Senate today to cut foreign aid spending and questioned whether Britain should receive any Marshall Plan funds.

Senator Taft said the United States faced a deficit this year while Britain was balancing her budget. He said aid spending must be cut excepting possibly funds for the armed services.

"The place to begin, if we are going to cut this budget, is here," said Senator Taft as the Senate continued its debate on the US\$3,300,450,000 foreign aid bill.

"I am sure that these Foreign aid estimates can be cut. They are the vaguest estimates that I know of all estimates submitted to Congress."

At Senator Taft's request, Senator Kern submitted an amendment which would cut the \$3,100,000,000 Marshall Plan authorization by \$1,000,000,000. The Kern amendment became the Senate's pending business.—United Press.

ARMS SHIPMENT TO EUROPE

Air Force Called In To Break London Strike

London, Apr. 25.—The Government today ordered the Royal Air Force into London's strike-bound dock-lands to help the 2,500 soldiers and sailors already there unload and load the idle ships.

Service men today were busy on 16 ships, most of them bringing food to Britain, but some taking export cargoes to dollar countries. Twenty-five more ships were being worked by 12,000 regular dock labourers who defied the unofficial strike call, but 84 ships remained idle.

A further 1,000 dockers joined the strikers today because they would not work with "blackleg" troops, making 13,500 on strike.

London's six-day-old dock strike was called by an unofficial Port Workers Committee in protest against the expulsion of three men from their union allegedly because they led the big unofficial strike here last summer.

The 10,000 dockers on strike in Antwerp were the focal point today in the Communist attempt to prevent Atlantic Pact arms shipments coming ashore in Western Europe.

The latest position from other key ports of Western Europe is given in these Reuter cables:

France.—The Government will try to foil Communist plans by directing most of the American arms shipments to Cherbourg, France's most strongly anti-Communist port.

The first shipment for France, reached Cherbourg on April 13 and was unloaded without incident.

A SAFE PORT
Italy.—The Italian Government, too, is believed to have found a safe port—Bari in the south.

Bari dockers, after long unemployment, have said, "We'll bring anything ashore."

Copenhagen.—Denmark's small but active Communist Party staged a demonstration at the North Sea port of Esbjerg last week—but it was small and there were no incidents.

There has been no large-scale strike in politically placid Denmark for about three years.

London.—The unofficial strike in this great port—branded as "Communist inspired"—by the Labour Minister, Mr George Lansbury, spread today to another 1,000 dockers, bringing the total of idle workers to 13,500.—Reuter.

DANISH CAMPAIGN
Copenhagen, Apr. 25.—Denmark's small but active Communist Party has begun its campaign against the unloading of American arms in Denmark.

Both police and Communists reported minor injuries and the authorities announced that Frans van den Branden, Communist Member of Parliament and leader of the longshoremen's Action Committee, was one of the agitators arrested.

At least 100 ships were tied up by the walkout in the harbour, where later this week the first shipment of American arms under the Atlantic Pact is scheduled to arrive.—United Press.

Triple College Tragedy

Peru, Nebraska, Apr. 25.—Dr B. K. Baker, Psychology Professor at Peru State Teachers' College, today shot dead Dr William Nicholas, President of the College, and Mr Paul A. Maxwell, another instructor, then killed himself, the police said.

The County Attorney said that a note found beside Dr Baker gave details for disposing of his body.—Reuter.

Freak Snowstorm In Europe

London, Apr. 25.—Freak spring snow and spasms of brilliant spring sunshine were general today throughout most of Europe.

Experts predict similar weather for at least another day.

Only North-West Europe is likely to dodge spring's wintry caprice. The forecast for that area is "mainly fair."

Despairing peasants in France and Italy calculated enormous losses among the blossoming orchards, vineyards and bulb-fields.

Six inches of hailstones carpeted parts of the rich wine-growing Upland area of North-Eastern Italy after devastating the carefully-ordered vines of their spring shoots.

Villages in the Northern Alpine foothills were still snow-bound in the country's coldest, wettest spring for years. Denmark, on the contrary, reported warm sunshine. Spring frocks were out in Copenhagen.

Parisians faced a sharp wind after an exceptional night of rain, hail or snow, sleet and gales. Snow fell heavily today at Modane in the French Alps and in the Macon area of the Burgundy wine country, where the river Saone flooded meadows after four days of heavy rain.

The French national weather affairs office predicted more snow and rain showers tomorrow with higher temperatures after night frosts.

VIOLENT HAIL
Belgium had similar weather. Limburg Province recorded its heaviest snowfall for six months. Brussels had a violent hour of hail this afternoon. The bulb-fields presented the unusual picture of millions of tulips wearing thick white caps or lying under the weight of snow.

Western Germany had its share of the same weather. A Potsdam Observatory official forecast "rain and even more snow" during the next few days.—Reuter.

British Foreign Policy Perspective

London, Apr. 25.—The rumours of "bipartisan" foreign policy consultations between Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Winston Churchill, the Conservative Opposition leader, which have hardened into widespread acceptance that a meeting between them had been arranged, were placed in perspective by a Foreign Office spokesman today.

No formal request for a meeting with Mr Bevin had been received at the Foreign Office, he stated. Nor was it anticipated that an official move to bring Opposition leaders into the foreign policy planning on the pattern of the Democratic-Republican machinery of bipartisan representation recently revived in Washington would be made before the meetings of the Foreign Ministers here next month.

But the spokesman said unofficial contact between the Foreign Office and the Opposition, either at the Ministerial level or through officials, was a normal practice.

It seemed a reasonable assumption that, on the occasion of international talks which may

profoundly affect the whole course of British foreign policy, such contacts should be as full as possible.

Mr Churchill and Mr Anthony Eden, it is known in Parliamentary circles, would both welcome an opportunity for discussion before the Acheson-Bevin-Schuman talks opens.

Whether or not either or both of them will see Mr Bevin depends, to some extent, on the date of his return to the Foreign Office from hospital, which is not expected until next week.

Mr Bevin is understood to be making a sound recovery after his operation for haemorrhoids a fortnight ago. He had been expected to leave hospital this week.—Reuter.

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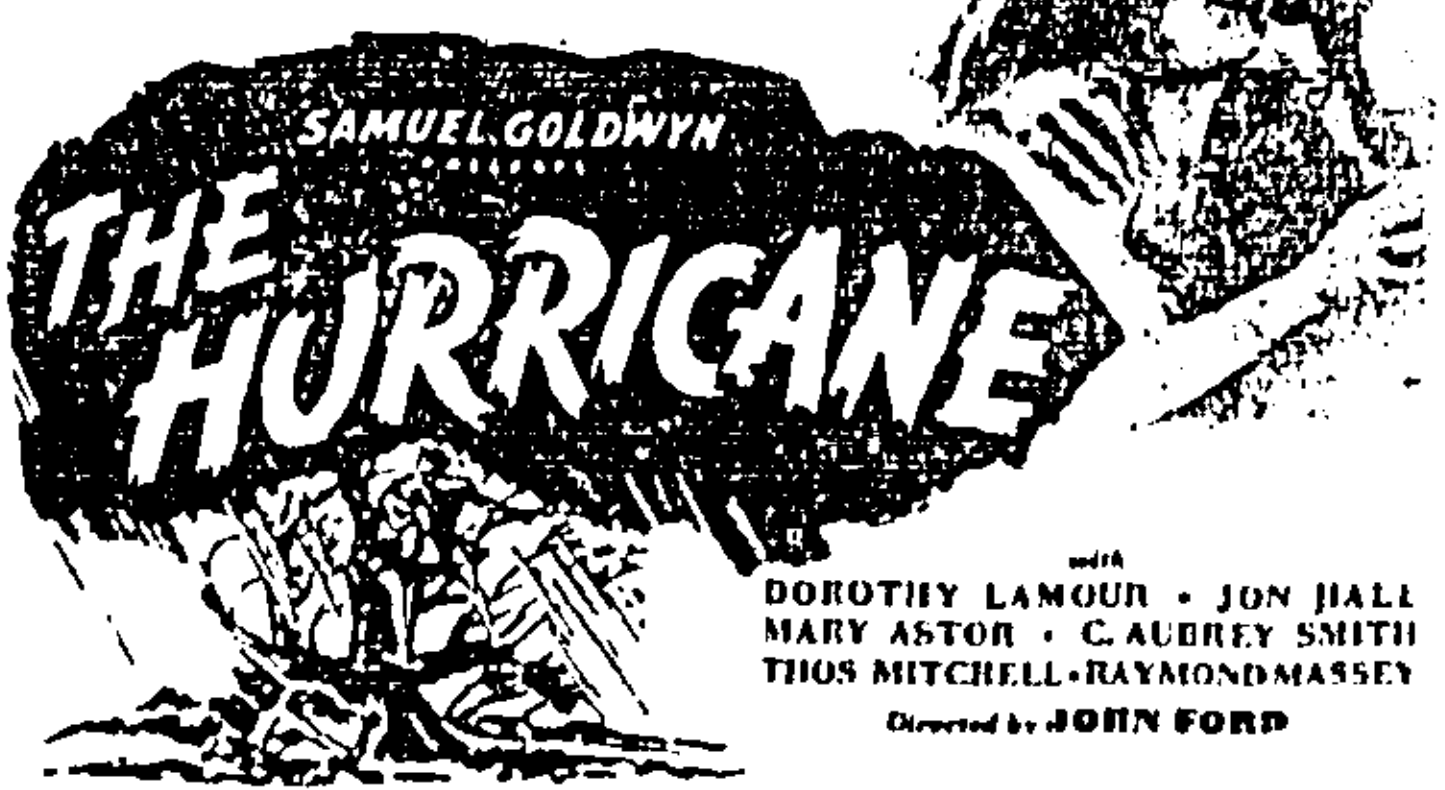
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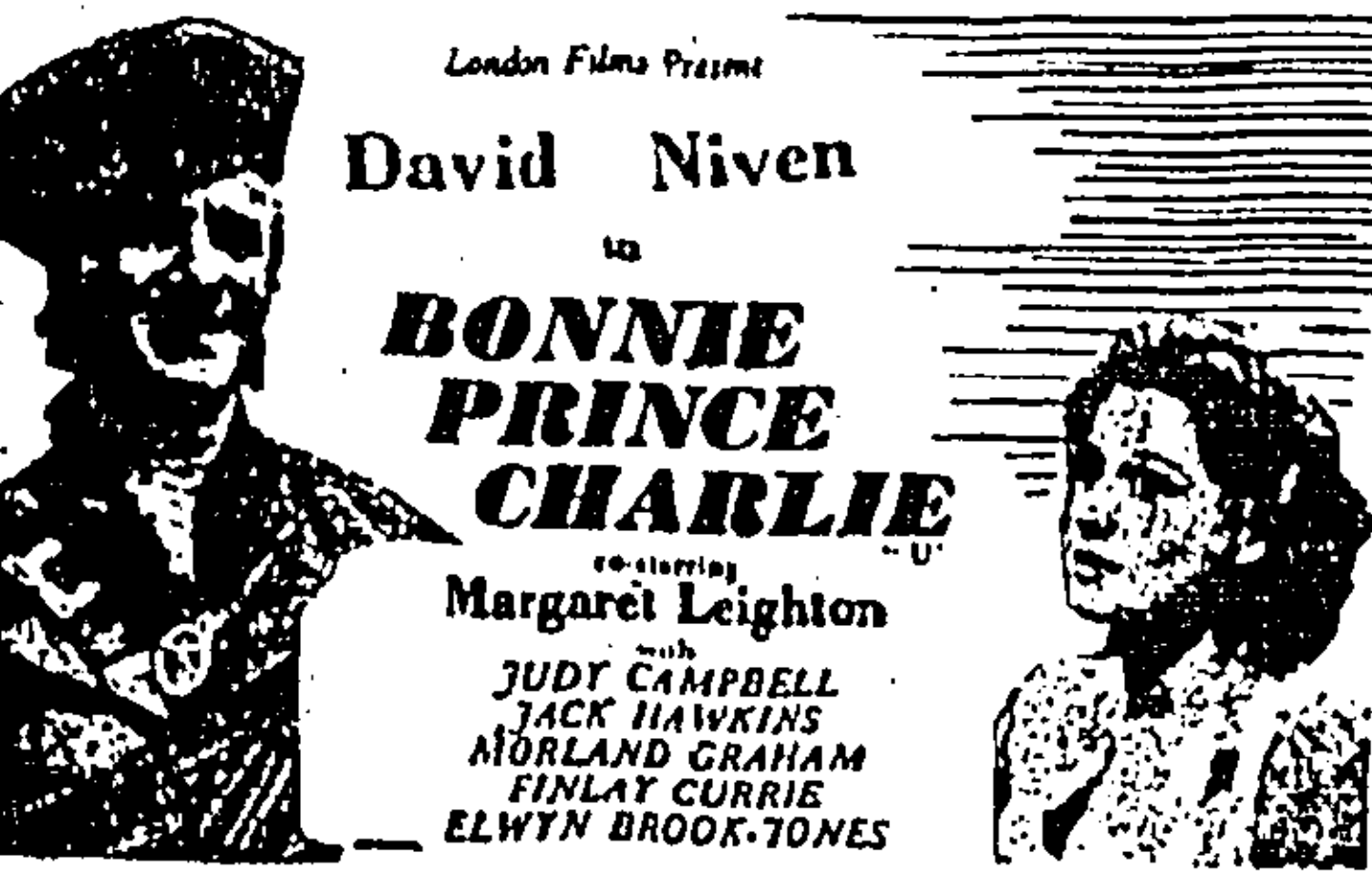
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Spring Bonnets On Parade



by EILEEN ASCROFT

IN THE PARADE

WE can now have a real spring bonnet parade. Since 1939 this is the first Spring that restrictions have permitted importation of delicious fancy straws, ribbons and trimmings. You have to be over 25 to remember them.

General movement is for forward-thrusting brims with hats perched high and straight upon the head, with two or three inches of hairline at the back. Shapes vary from enormous cart-wheels, worn with a side-ways tilt to tiny berets with brims. Top favourite is the Boat.

Vells have made a big comeback, very tussy and feminine. Trimmings include flowers, fruit, vegetables, feathers, corn, grass and twigs.

Your Easter Bonnet this Spring costs just what you wanted to pay. You could pay 15 guineas for a handful of straw, tulle and flowers, or as little as £1 for a d. lightful Cockney cut, reminiscent of the Dead-End kids.

Pictures in Paris

SPRING hats in Paris are enormous even with tall-madec.

They are worn straight, tilted forwards or sideways and many have sheer brims of tulle or organdy. Brims are often lined with dazzling white pique, love-

ly to look at but heartbreaking to keep clean.

Beauty Box

SPRING day beauty aids... a miniature lipstick in the newest shade French Rose, to slip into a pocket when you've left your handbag behind... a travel-size perfume which lives in a tiny ivory cask, ideal for rings or hairpins when the bottle's empty.

French Porter Cap

In white pique with black belt, worn with a Hushell utility "shortie" in white.



A Note Of Summer

THE slimmest of skirts animated by flat tiers or side-wrapped movement is a summer theme of importance in the Paul Barnes collection. This straight and narrow line is used for cottons—chambrays and gingham checks—as well as dark heavy creases. Newest are the town frocks of brown, navy or red and white checked cotton with slim skirt broken by scalloped embroidered tiers. These are one-piece or sun dresses topped by a tiny jacket.

Town Tones

Chambray in town tones—gray or cocoa—is a favourite fabric and the mood is for town, too, in the tailored, slim silhouettes. These cottons are detailed so that there is no "around the house" character for them, and even when they are full skirted they have an "after five" mood. One in steel gray with baby bodice and full skirt has cut-out motifs embroidered in steel beads, while a slim town shirtwaist style is trimmed with tiny pearl buttons.

Because a sheer season is assured, this house features heavy sheers in slim silhouettes, cool looking with low square necklines and cap sleeves. The "pretty look" is achieved by lace "all-ins" at the low neckline, and bandings of lace alternating with flat skirt folds, and big white pique cuffs that serve as short sleeves.

Among the unusual trimmings here are collars and cuffs of checked gingham on shantung dresses, and dotted sarat accenting a white linen suit, with buckles with three bands across the jacket front. A softly tailored black chiffon suit has finely pleated skirt and pleated jacket frosted with white pique.

Shirt Formula

A series of suits in novelty checked gingham also follows the slim skirt formula, and these range from skirt-plus-jacket types to sun dress with companion jacket. In the same way a group of printed crepes again establishes the return of the summer suit dress.

Recognising the need for dress-up cottons in summer, these suits house presents a full skirted yellow organdie ensemble with bright colours. Another one, for evening wear, is in heavy white novelty lace with wide organdie hemline border, and there are one or two in white with heavy black lace outlining the strapless tops and used for cuffs on the brief jackets with thin sleeves.

Pressure Spots

Some years ago it was discovered that there are so-called "pressure spots" in the nose, which produce headaches and other severe troubles. One example of this is the headaches which occur in women just before or during the regular monthly periods. When such cases, the opening of the nose will bring a great deal of relief. The treatment consists of applying trichloroacetic acid to these "pressure spot" areas. It has been reported that in many cases good results have been obtained.

Of course, in any case of headache there is need for a thorough examination to determine its source. Once the cause has been found, the treatment which is most effective can be begun.

It is not wise nor is it likely that injection of influenza vaccine would be of any help to the individual suffering from gripal attacks. After the attack has cleared up, possibly injection of the vaccine might be of some help in preventing future attacks.

Oak-Smoked Haddock

"Best Oak-Smoked Haddock" was seen on a card outside a London shop.

What does it mean? It appears that in London and in the South we like our haddocks cured by the smoke from oak dust.

Some fishermen start the fire with oak dust, which is half the price of oak dust, and then finish off with oak dust.

But oak dust smoking gives an acid taste to the fish, and it is oak dust smoking which gives the flavour we like so much.

Scottish folk like their haddocks peat smoked. This is as good as oak smoking, but gives a slightly stronger flavour.

Jilted At The Altar

Love found a way in Kansas City when a 71-year-old man got married after forgiving his fiancée for jilting him at the altar 49 years ago.

A Los Angeles wife won a divorce from her husband on charge of cruelty, because he insisted on hanging pictures of his four ex-wives on the bedroom walls.

Where Patience Is Needed

By G. C. MYERS, Ph.D.

WE can consider the emotional trials to the young mother over the early training of the child in proper use of the "nursery chair." We see that her success requires her unceasing vigilance, self-discipline and patience; and that she needed to strive for cultivating as great satisfaction to the youngster from his co-operation and "success" as possible. We observe how very difficult to the mother such achievement is.

Here let us add that if the traditional nursery chair is used it should be comfortable to the child to sit on and not too high for his feet to rest flat on the floor.

When Relapse Occurs

Many children who have achieved self-reliance and self-care in toilet matters may relapse if they never had been trained. This backsliding may result from illness or from a trip away from home. Whatever the cause, the restraining should be much easier than the initial training. The mother should, as a rule go about the retraining as if there had been no earlier training at all.

If it is a matter of bowel control, have your physician advise you concerning the child's diet, also concerning suppositories should you consider using them. A regular time, by the clock, is very desirable.

Solo Responsibility

For bladder incontinence study the child's apparent rhythm and be sure you take sole responsibility for placing him on the "chair" early enough for "safety." Should the child "tell" you occasionally, approve him warmly. Never scold or punish him for an "accident" or ask him, "Why didn't you tell mother?" Aim to get him "to go" willingly and to sit without resistance long enough for "results." There may be instances in connection with bladder holding by the child over two in which he should be required to sit long enough just what these instances are cannot be stated here since we don't know enough about any particular child and his mother's ways of managing him in these and many other situations.

Other Situations

If in hundreds of other situations in his daily experiences he had learned to stay at any certain place when told to do so, such control may now prove priceless. Otherwise, trying to force the youngster, even at three or older, to remain a reasonable while on the nursery chair hardly will work well.

Furthermore, success will also depend on how well you have prevented stubbornness and won co-operation of the child in various non-toilet situations.

SERIOUS FOR ONCE



Serious for once, Danny Kaye dines out with Mrs. Kaye who wears a black slipper satin dress with back buttons made of space-shaped diamonds.—London Express Service.

Nice Teeth, Sparkling Smile



You can't have a perfect smile without nice teeth, Susan Star Jane Russell says. So brush yours regularly and see the dentist at least twice a year.

By HELEN FOLLETT

THE importance of good looking, healthy, shining-white teeth is so widely recognised that the smile without them is virtually a lost asset. You can't sell a smile of that kind to the movies or the legitimate stage.

While dentists acknowledge there is no sure way of avoiding caries, they urge the most fastidious care, together with a diet that has the necessary amount of calcium. A quart of milk a day will supply this.

The cleaner the teeth are kept, the less likely it is that infections in the gums will occur. Two toothbrushes, for use on alternate days, are necessary. After a brush is used, it should be carefully washed so that no foreign matter clings to the bristles.

Brush away from the gums, never toward them. Use a rolling motion, forcing the bristles be-

tween the teeth as far as you can. Treat the inner surfaces and the biting ends where cavities first appear. After the brushing, rinse the mouth with a reliable lotion. Never go to bed without giving attention to your biters. It is during sleep that chemicals and germs, that thrive on food particles, get in their most deadly work.

Normal, healthy gums are pink in colour, firm, smooth, moist and without sensitiveness. To keep them in good condition, one should chew one's food well, not put into the habit of chewing just on one side of the mouth. If that practice prevails the teeth and gums on the unexercised portion will weaken and cause trouble.

Bleeding gums hint that something is wrong. If the condition persists, make an appointment with your dentist.



Let's Eat

BY IDA BAILEY ALLEN

A "Slenderella" Luncheon

"MADAME, it must be very frustrating to ladies who are following the fad of reducing, to go to a luncheon party, and find the food too rich to eat."

"It's not exactly frustrating, Chef, because they usually give in and eat through the whole menu, from soup topped with whipped cream to ice cream cake."

"But, Madame, they aren't happy, and I understand they apologise all the time to themselves, and to their friends, who of course, aren't interested at all in their reducing diet, but who are much amused at their lack of 'won't' power."

"However, Chef, many women are trying to reduce, especially when they buy their Easter clothes. And many other women are concentrating on a spring cleansing diet made up largely of vegetables. So for a change, let's plan a 'Slenderella' luncheon that can be enjoyed by both groups."

Garden Broth

"I think we should include your famous garden broth, and the new soy bread we have standardised in the test kitchen. And the main dish could be your beauty salad, Madame."

Accompanied by your new 'pink' salad dressing, Monsieur? "I shall be enchanted. Shall I make up the salad, Madame? The plates should be dinner-size, for this salad is quite extensive. In the centre of each plate I shall put the shell of half a large grapefruit filled with a mixture of grapefruit sections cut bite-sized, diced apple, diced fresh pineapple, stoned cherries, seedless green grapes, and a few strawberries for a garnish. I shall surround with little boats made from small romaine leaves, and heaped with mixed raw vegetables which I shall grate or mince (fine-shred). In between I shall put a balanced arrangement of other fruits, such as 'sticks' of banana, quarters of drained kiwi, sliced pears or Elberta peaches, and some halved strawberries to give colour. Now comes the pink dressing, Madame."

Pink Salad Dressing

"To make, I first mash a cream cheese. Then I add 1/4 cup orange juice, the juice 1/4 lemon, 1 tsp. honey, a few grains salt and 1/2 cup sieved defrosted frozen strawberries. I beat together in the blender."

"The table decoration can be unusual, Chef. For a centerpiece we might use colourful well-scrubbed vegetables arranged on a wooden or a shining copper platter; or we could arrange

Tropical Fruit Cup

In chilled individual dishes or on small plates place alternating layers of thin-sliced orange and apricots, a little powdered sugar between each. It desired, add a little rum flavouring and top with freshly grated coconut. Chill thoroughly before serving.

Slenderella Luncheon

Hot Garden Broth
Fresh Beauty Salad
Tropical Fruit Cup
Coffee

All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four

Hot Garden Broth

Combine 1 c. fine-chopped celery, 1/2 c. chopped green celery tops, 1 c. chopped carrot tops, 1/4 c. chopped parsley, 1/4 c. chopped spinach, 2 tbsp. chopped onion and 1 c. chopped mushrooms. Add 5 c. cold water; bring to simmering point. Cover and simmer 15 min. but do not boil. Strain, season to taste with salt and pepper and serve poured over 1 c. chopped raw eggs.

Soy Bread

Add 1/4 c. water to 1 pkg. quick dry yeast and let stand 5 min. Add 1 tsp. sugar and 1/2 tsp. salt. Meantime, sift through a coarse sieve 1 1/2 c. soybean flour, 1 1/2 c. coarse ground whole wheat flour, 1/4 c. enriched flour, 1 1/2 c. rye flour and 1/2 tsp. salt. Add 1/2 c. tepid milk to the yeast, 3 beaten eggs, 1/2 c. dark molasses, 1 tsp. butter or margarine melted, and 1 c. mashed warm potato. Beat in the flour mixture. Place in a greased bowl; cover and let rise until doubled in bulk, about 2 hrs. Then cut down with a slightly tapered knife. Turn onto a slightly floured board or pastry cloth. Knead until the dough feels elastic. Shape into two loaves and place in 2 well-oiled pans, 7 1/2" X 3 1/2". Cover with waxed paper. Let rise until doubled, about 1 hr. and bake in a moderately hot oven, 370-375 F., about 45 min.

GIRL ACROBATS ON TOUR



SIX of a group of 15 members of an English acrobatic troupe perform on the deck of the Queen Elizabeth upon their arrival in New York. They are making a tour of the U.S. (Acme)

TENNIS CIRCLES WONDER WHAT GUSSY WILL WEAR

Tennis enthusiasts are asking: "Will Gorgeous Gussy Moran be banned from Wimbledon if she wears the new outfits which Teddy Tintling is said to have designed for her?"

Although Mr Tintling resigned from his temporary membership of the All-England Lawn Tennis Club last year after a cold war between him and the committee over Gussy's lace panties, it is understood that she has asked him to design something "even more startling this year."

Lawn tennis authorities are likely, however, to look disapprovingly at any attempt to improve on the startling effect of last year's lace panties.

"We are anxious that high standards shall prevail in matters of dress in all branches of first-class tennis," one Wimbledon official said.

"Already we are dismayed at the way frivolous fashions are spreading. Lawn tennis is not

a frivolous pastime and should not be made the subject of a fashion parade."

Could he be referring to the costume worn by Miss George Woodgate, 25-year-old London hospital secretary, who wore lace-edged panties in the Cumberland Club lawn tennis tournament at Hampstead, when she beat Miss Gillian Findlay in the first round of the women's singles?

(London Express Service)

DRY THOSE TEARS!



PAT Helms knows why onion growers and dealers have the weeps as she looks over a few of the bags of onions that fill 318 freight cars in Chicago. No one seems to want the surplus onions, left over from last year's crop, and newly-grown onions will soon be pouring into the market, too. (Acme)

GIRL SHOWS IN DUBLIN ARE DRESSED

By Thomas Hennigan

Dublin, Apr. 25.—The visitor to our shores in search of variety entertainment on a par with London's Windmill or Paris' Folies Bergere will be sorely disappointed.

Not in Dublin's variety theatres — there are four of them — will he find the Windmill's statuesque nudes or the Folies' undraped dancing nymphs.

Over the Dublin variety stage broods the unappetising shadow—and substance—of clothes. Brassieres of heavy material leave most everything to the imagination while the G-string is as foreign here as a sun suit on the Alaskan wastes.

The girls are covered with conventional stage panties into which a great deal of material has gone. These panties are always of the same colour as the surrounding, abbreviated skirt.

The various dance scenes, too, are totally devoid of anything that the bachelors in the front row might construe as Sex. The ladies of the Irish chorus go in for demure, tupples, and as a treat not often handed out, give an occasional twirl and a look of shapely legs—one thing the censor cannot change—to give the customers their money's worth.

GIRL TEMPLE

One of the oldest girl temples in town is the Olympia, which runs all-variety shows uninterupted by cine shows. To the Olympia come dancing troupes from various London agencies, Continental trapeze artists, jugglers, comedians and singers.

Nightly for many years, elderly Bob Bolton, the theatre's agent, but vigorous music director conducts his 15-piece orchestra while, before his eyes, shapely young ladies flash heel and toe and toothsome smiles.

The Olympia has in recent times put on several famous people, including Tessa O'Shea.

NUDES FOR PRISON

The Governor of Dorchester Prison said he is negotiating with an art gallery for the loan of landscapes and nudes to hang in the prison's main hall to brighten the lives of the 130 inmates.

The Governor, Mr B. Lamb, said: "It was my idea to ask for these pictures, and as far as I know it has not been done in a prison before. Provided they have artistic merit, I would not have nude paintings."

Lamb is conferring with Norman L. Sly, curator of the Plymouth Municipal Art Gallery, on the paintings.

"I have not yet decided what pictures we can spare," Sly said, "but it is possible nude paintings will be among them. If these are included, I will have them covered with glass to prevent them being defaced."

CASEY JONES ON A STAMP



CENTREPIECE of a new U. S. stamp (pictured here) is Casey Jones, America's most famous engine driver. He was killed in the wreck of the Cannonball Express near Vaughn, Mississippi, on April 30, fifty years ago.

The express ran into a goods train. The fireman jumped, but Casey Jones stayed to blow the whistle to give the goods train crew time to escape.

His sacrifice is commemorated in an American folk song.

RAISED EYEBROW

Dublin's majestic Theatre Royal, one of the biggest in Europe, features with the 'Folies', who go in for some well-centred dance routines, displaying imagination and production genius.

If, now and again, a visiting girl trapeze artist is not sufficiently clothed, the Irish Independent draws raised eyebrow attention to the fact and advises the lady in question to cover up. It rarely happens that the offending lady obeys the Irish Independent. These reprimands consequently act as the best aid for the offending theatre.

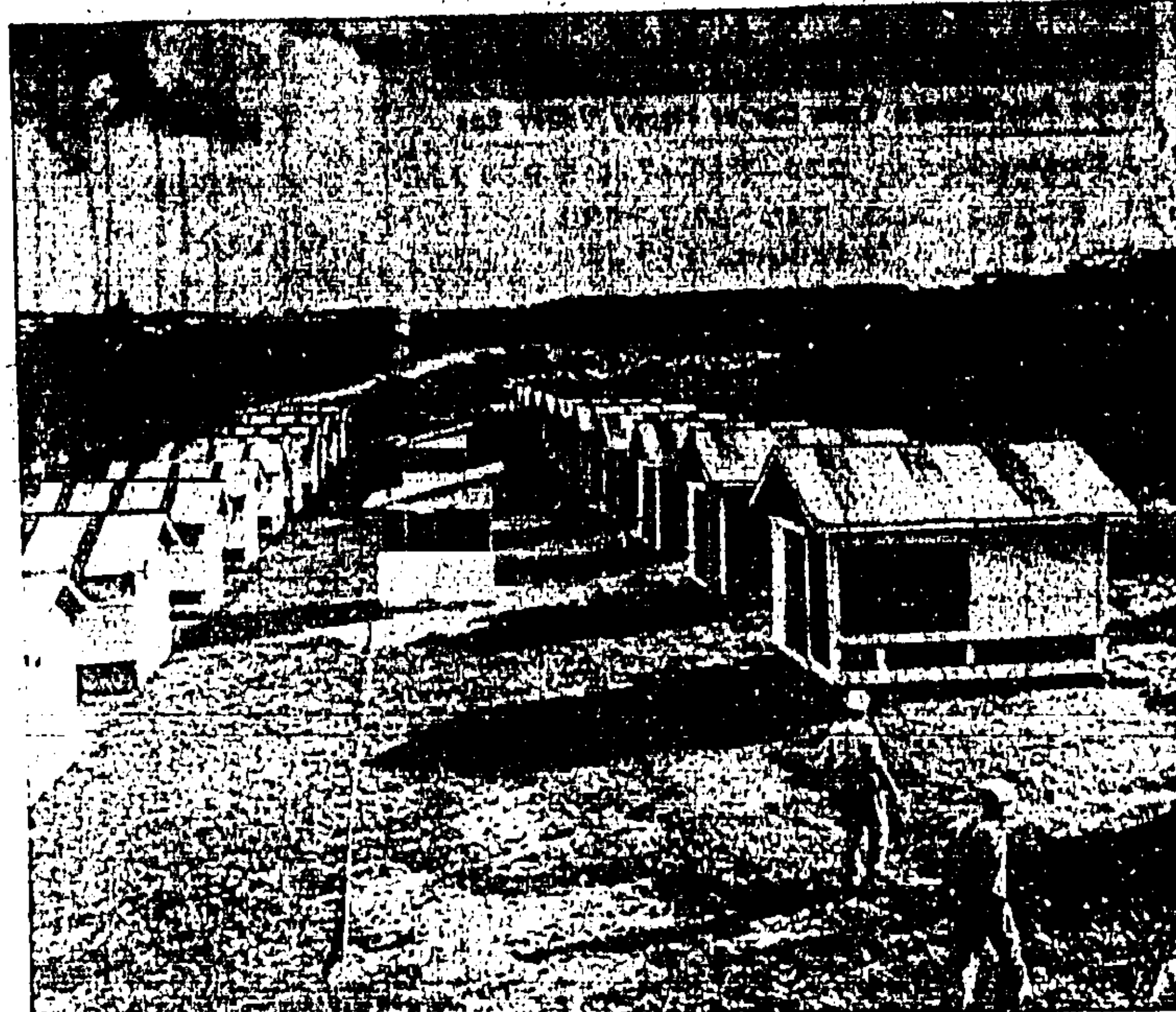
On the basis of a recent complaint by the Independent, the Royal was provided as never before in its history. They came to see a shapely trapeze artist whose shorts were the shortest ever seen in a capital that simply does NOT encourage nudism on the stage, or anything approaching nudism.—United Press.

SUN LOVELY



ATTRACTIONS like lovely Phyllis Duke add something even to the sun and sea air at Miami Beach, Florida. In fact, they encourage deep breathing and the outdoor life. (Acme)

LEPROSARIUM IN THE PACIFIC



NEAT, tree-shaded individual houses stretch in long rows for patients at the provisional leprosarium on Tinian, in the Marianas Islands, administered by the U.S. Navy. In the centre are cook houses for use of the patients with Hansen's disease, who arrive from throughout the Pacific Islands controlled by the U.S. Navy. (U.S. Navy Photo from Acme)

Father Divine Gives H-Bomb 'Ultimatum'

By Frederick Cook

Spread out on the tables at Uno headquarters in New York are big black headlines proclaiming "New World Warning." They announce Father Divine's "solemn ultimatum" on the hydrogen bomb. After almost two years of unaccustomed silence, Father Divine is back in the news.

Growing Up Faster

Men are attaining full growth faster than ever, a scientist reported in The Lancet, British medical journal.

Dr G. M. Morant said statistics showed that in 1890 men attained full growth at 20 years of age, but in his decade they reach full height by 21½ years. He said the average height of men is the same 5 ft 7½ in.

An industrial officers' conference, sponsored by the Medical Research Council, said a man begins to get old at 30. Or, at least, that his skill at his job begins to decline at that age.

But most men, the symposium said, make up for this by greater experience.—United Press.

ANTWERP DOCK VIGILANCE

Antwerp, Apr. 25.—Five hundred heavily armed police moved into the Antwerp dock area today to keep order and protect the 5,000 men who were at work despite the Communist-inspired strike by 7,000 longshoremen.

Police patrols throughout the city were doubled to enforce the ban on gatherings of more than five persons. It is intended to prevent further clashes like those on a small scale which occurred in the last two days. The first American ship with North Atlantic Pact arms is expected here within a week.—United Press.

His "ultimatum" has created little surface excitement at Uno. But it has set off a chain reaction of excited "peace meetings" in his "Heavens" in more than fifty cities and towns all over America.

In his "ultimatum," issued in the form of a 48-page newspaper, Father Divine revealed to his followers that it was he who, "by intuition and by inspiration," led the President to decide to make the H-bomb.

'TOTAL DESTRUCTION'

"Now that the bomb is going to be available quickly in defence of righteousness and peace," said Father Divine, "aggressors will know that they will be subject to total destruction."

"Therefore, they had better set their houses in order, or else it will be great catastrophe for them. I am going to do just what I please to do, I thank you."

Father Divine's thousands of followers—some say millions—are taking very seriously their leader's claim that he is the one really in control of the bomb and the destiny of humanity.

To sceptics they point out that anyone who doubts his powers is taking a very grave risk and must assume his own responsibilities.

'LOOK WHAT HAPPENED'

"Look what happened to Huey Long," they warn. "When he was dictator of Louisiana, he refused to receive a delegation of 'Divine Angels.' He was assassinated shortly afterwards."

Father Divine, 73 years old, born George Baker, son of a former slave, is believed today to control property worth at least \$10,000,000, plus at least \$15,000,000 in cash.

More than 300 places of business are registered in the name of one or other of his organisations.

Outside the largest of his Heavens, in Harlem, crowds gather nightly, chanting: "Father Divine rules the world! We thank thee, Father! Bring them together, Father!"

Father Divine lives comfortably, goes about his affairs in specially built limousines. But, he insists, he owns nothing. His cars and furniture, even the clothes he wears, are the property of his followers, he maintains.

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Sitting on the Fence....by

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

I OFTEN wonder why women grumble at the dullness of housework when, according to the writers of women's features, there is so much fun among the dusters and the dish mops.

Read what one of them says about rhythm in housework:—
"Get a certain measure of time into your head and use the brush, the broom or the polisher backwards and forwards to an imaginary tune. 'Not so long ago I was teaching somebody how to make a bed correctly. To the tune of 'Boys and Girls Come Out to Play,' we sang 'First the toe and then the head, that's the way to make a bed.'"

The stage is set for a spot of rhythmic housework. Old Mrs. Miffin, the chair, has arrived, and the mistress dances into the kitchen, singing,

MISTRESS: Swill the sink and empty the slops,
Wash the blooming turnip tops.
MRS. MIFFIN (cackling):
Scrub the 'taters, sweep the floor.

Smash the china, bang the door.
MISTRESS: Dust the parlour, clean the hall,
But that, I fear, will not be all.
MRS. MIFFIN (going a little ga-ga): Da-da-da-da-da-

MISTRESS: MRS. MIFFIN!!
MRS. MIFFIN (cracking her head with a broom):
Da de diddlely dum dum.

Mrs. Hubbard merely replied: "Just a minute. I will call my uncle."

Other disarming things which might be said to intruders are: "Excuse me, but have you met my aunt?" or "You have the advantage of me, sir, but perhaps you would like to speak to father?" or "Do you know my people?"

Girls, always be dignified and British when faced by masked men.

The British way

TALKING of bandits, I was deeply impressed by the way in which the niece of the proprietor of an hotel dealt with a masked man who rushed at her shouting, "Put 'em up!"

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Shropshire tragedy

HOW, I wonder, would Mr. A. E. Housman, author of "A Shropshire Lad," have dealt with the news that, generally, there are more marriages than usual during Easter?

I am inclined to think that, instead of regarding it as an occasion for rejoicing, he would have taken his usual, rather sombre, view of the affairs of Shropshire lads.

On Wendock Edge he got her.
And then and there he shot her.
His lovely Shropshire bride,
It was at Easter-tide.
They came from far to feast her.

And many a mother cried,
For lads who wed at Easter,
Are hanged at Whitsuntide
In bloom of manhood's pride.

"And, what is more, I do not ride, fish, or 'unt ze 'ound. I 'ate ze open air, and I do not play tennis, 'ockey, squash ze racket, football, or your 'ateful cricket."

"I used to sleep with my head towards the south and my legs pointing east and west. What shall I do now?"—Restless, Miteham.

"Will you please tell me which is the north end of my bedroom?"—Hewildred, Brixton.

"One night, after returning from a regimental dinner, I slept in a train with my head pointing

Chinese cookery book

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Heads to the north

A NUMBER of letters have reached me from people on the great controversy, "Can we sleep better with our heads towards the north?"

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Do you think that poverty has been abolished in Britain? Do children today, in the Welfare State, 1950, still sleep ill and hungry on the floor on piles of rags?

THE SHOCKING STORY

By MARGARET LANE

LONDON. CHILD delinquency and the treatment of the young offender are topics guaranteed in any company to start a lively and prejudiced discussion. The causes of juvenile crime are many and obscure, and no two people will entirely agree about them. Now, however, from the researches of two social workers in an industrial slum district which they do not name but which is perhaps not difficult to identify, it seems we must all admit there is a kind of home which breeds the juvenile delinquent.

When I began to read Arthur Collins and Vera Poole's account ("These Our Children," Gollancz 8s. 6d.) of the life which thousands of our children are living today—in our midst, in our own cities, not in some remote country—I felt as though I had stumbled upon some careful historical account of a nineteenth century thieves' kitchen.

Do children today, in 1950, in the Welfare State, sleep all night and hungry on the floor, on piles of rags?

Alas! they do, they do. This is an account so sober, so unsensational, so obviously true, that I should like to thrust it into the hands of every complacent person of my acquaintance; of everyone who believes that "the poor" are with us no longer; or that everything is done for everybody nowadays; or that the slums have vanished.

Of course, I know that juvenile delinquency does not occur only in poor, squalid and broken homes, but it occurs chiefly there.

The slums themselves are the great first offenders, those streets of rotting and degraded property where endlessly breeding families live together in one or two rooms—not from choice. God knows, but because there is nowhere else for them to go—houses often without water beyond a top in the filthy yard, with one choked and broken lavatory between 10 families, with dark, dangerous and evil-smelling stairs, which are the children's playground when it is too wet, too dark, too bitterly cold in the streets.

The breeding-ground of delinquency is the sub-standard family in which the parents themselves are nearly always the products of bad homes, demoralised in childhood and continuing the trail of dirt, disease and delinquency from generation to generation.

What can we do about them? The slums will take years to abolish and the problem cannot wait for that.

A Minister for Children? It is not impossible, though one can already in imagination hear the clash with rival Ministries, the interminable wars with Health, or Education, the deadlocks with the Treasury or the Home Office.

It would be expensive, too; but it is even more expensive to waste our children.

(London Express Service)

PAGING THE GENERAL... By C.V.R. THOMPSON

New York. THEY are getting ready to shout "Eisenhower for President" again.

Every time this has happened, the general, now in a comfortable job as president of New York's Columbia University, has said "No, thanks."

But his friends are promising that at the proper time, possibly this summer, the answer will be different.

It will not be an outright "Yes." Possibly it will not even be "Maybe." But at least it will not be "No, thanks."

What they mean is that General Ike is now "available," as the phrase goes, for the big 1952 race to the White House.

The trouble is they still have been unable to convince him that he must campaign for the nomination.

He will accept it, he says, only if it is offered to him on a plate, without the need for deals or compromises.

VIEWING: Production of TV sets is expected to break records this year. Makers are

hesitant to sell 5,000,000 sets, as against last year's 3,200,000. Prices are 25 percent lower.

LITERATURE: One of the largest publisher's advances ever given (£13,500) will be paid to Kathleen ("Forever Amber") Winsor for her second novel, "Star Money." Opening sentence of the book: "It was a woman's bedroom."

MANNERS: Unions will co-operate with the management of New York's Central Railway to treat all passengers with courtesy and give them the best possible service. "Our jobs depend upon more people using the railway," say the unions.

OPINION: Unexpected support for proposals for earlier closing of pubs and night clubs comes from a New York tavern-keeper with the name of "Toots." Said he: "If you ain't drunk by midnight, you ain't trying."

MONEY: Mr. Trammor Splova was a porter on the New York underground. Never in his 18 years on the job did he make more than £8 a week. And yet it was disclosed that he

left estate worth £10,000. He did it by careful living and by prudent investment in Wall Street and in property.

ADVERTISEMENT: Anxious to get rid of his stock of old cars in time for the spring rush, a dealer advertised in all New York papers that he will accept a dozen eggs for down payment. "We've got the crates," he said, "you bring the eggs."

PRIZE EXHIBIT in a show New York has put on of all its distinguished visitors in the past 400 years, is a photograph of Winston Churchill. It was taken on December 8, 1900, when Churchill, then 20, arrived for a lecture tour.

Caption to the picture—"Winston Churchill, author of six books, hero of four wars, member of Parliament, forth-coming Prime Minister of England."

FOR ALL the medical attacks on these so-called "anti-cold" pills, druggists, who are still selling them by the million, have developed a new way to make money with them. They are almost ready to introduce a

chewing gum containing the drugs, which are supposed to remove the symptoms of a cold within a few hours. Possible selling slogan for them—"Any gub, chub?"

LOW NECKLINES will not be worn by actresses appearing on one of New York's TV stations from now on.

The studio issued this ban because "we are guests in the family living room and must behave ourselves as such."

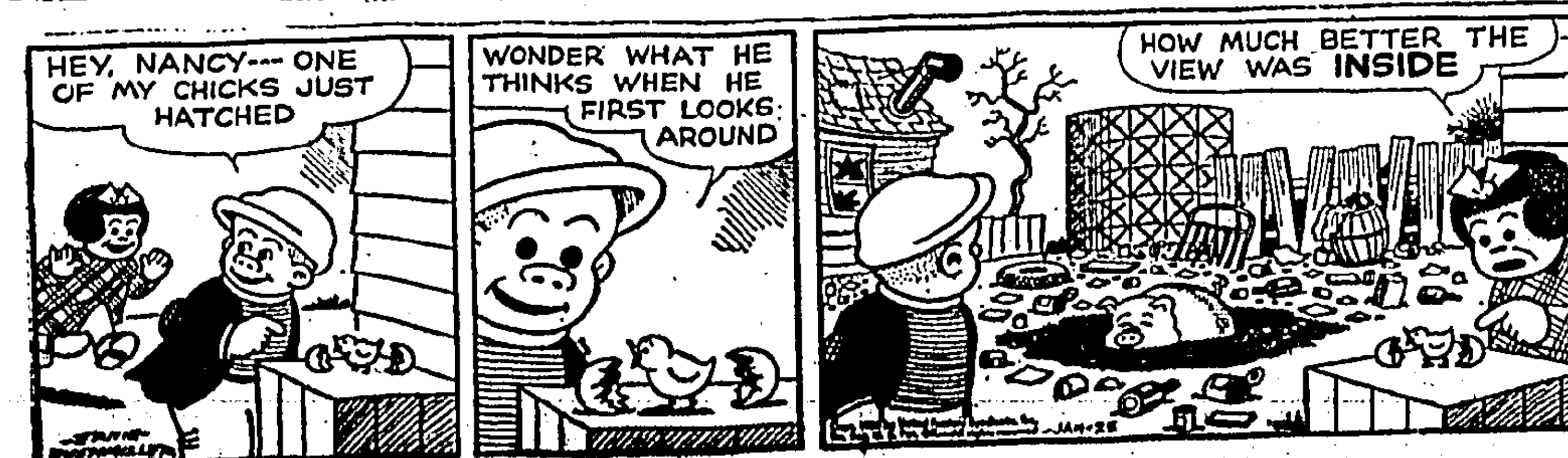
PEACE plan proposed by Dr. Robert Millikan, scientist winner of the Nobel Peace Prize—let off thousands of hydrogen balloons instead of bombs towards Russia from the British Isles, and fill them with proof for the Russian people of America's peaceful aims.

SHOW BUSINESS: It has never happened in Broadway's history. Sol Hurok, American manager for the Sadler's Wells Ballet Company, announced—six months before their arrival—what nights they will be dancing which ballet. "We had to do this," Mr. Hurok told me, "because we've had 30,000 letters for tickets."

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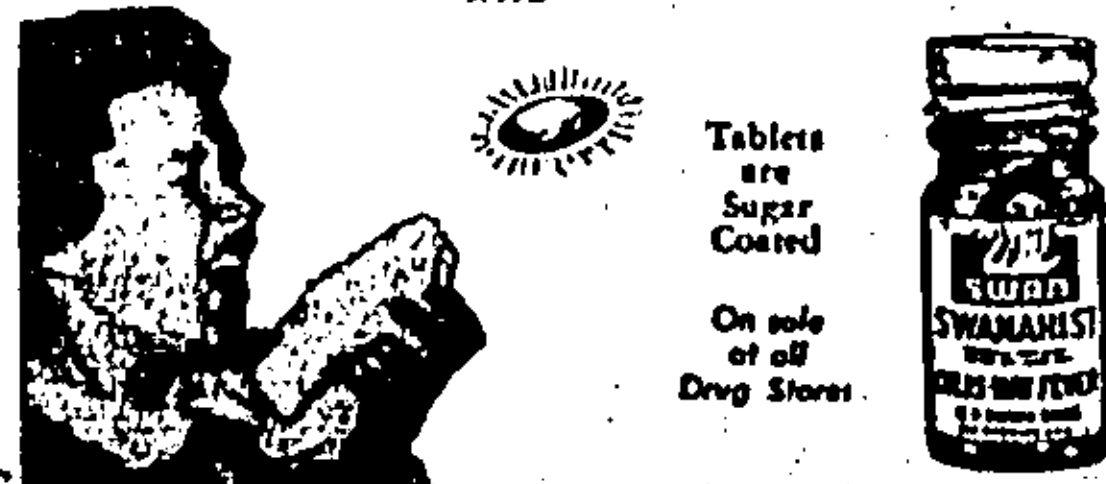
The Egg and Eye

By Ernie Bushmiller



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UN: Mankind's best hope for peaceful world

Lake Success, Apr. 25.—The Assistant United Nations Secretary General, Byron Price, said today in an anniversary statement that, although the United Nations still has a long way to go to fulfil the expectations of San Francisco, it remains and will continue as mankind's best hope for a decent, secure and peaceful world.

On April 25, 1945, delegates from 51 nations gathered at the San Francisco Opera House for the first United Nations meeting, which began the work of drafting the charter for the world organization.

NEW CLUE TO BALTIC AIR CLASH?

Stockholm, Apr. 25.—An aircraft wheel pierced by bullets has been found by a fishing boat off Gotland, the Swedish Air Force reported tonight.

The discovery was linked with the loss of the American Privateer bomber in the Baltic on April 8.

Meanwhile, in America, an American Congressman suggested today that the United States Privateer bomber lost in the Baltic on April 8 was "committing the Russian coast-line."

Representative Stephen Young (Democrat, Ohio) wrote in a syndicated column: "Strategic from Washington" that both Russia and the United States "are recognizing each other's coastlines."

The United States Government had insisted that the course and speed of the missing aircraft would not have taken it over Soviet territory, but claimed that Soviet aircraft shot it down.

Russia alleged that the plane was sent over the area "for the purpose of photographing Soviet defenses."

Mr Young said in his article: "It is significant that there were three radar reports in our plane. It is highly important that this nation test the effectiveness of the Russian radar net. Our aviators may be said to be making routine practice flights, but you may be sure they are rendering an important service to our country, and they are risking their lives for us on every mission they make."

He linked the incident with the loss of the American submarine, Chocoma, in Arctic waters last year and recent reports of unidentified submarines off the Pacific coast of America.

Mr Young said that these unidentified craft were Russian.

The United States Navy said the Chocoma exploded and burned while engaged in cold water training exercises.—Reuter.

Lost Boys "Shivered And Prayed"

Kingwood, West Virginia, Apr. 25.—Three teen-age boys, after 27 hours spent in a dark, rat-infested cave, said today that it was no adventure.

"It was spooky and we were scared," 16-year-old Robert Shrou told his father after the boys crawled out of the cave, finally found the boys.—United Press.

"All I did was shiver and pray," said Robert.

His brother Eugene, 14, and their cousin Alvin Shrou, 15, said they prayed too. The boys sneaked off to explore an almost inaccessible cave six miles north-west of here. They found a small hole high on one side and crawled through. They had gone only about as far when their one flashlight went out.

HELD HANDS

Holding hands, they walked carefully around the cave-filled cave, desperately trying to find a way out. Some of the crevices are 100 feet deep. After hours of fruitless searching, they decided to quit wandering in the dark and to wait for help.

Three search parties, marking their routes with heavy twine, finally found the boys.—United Press.

Senor Hogan Walks Into Trouble



Arriving in London, Argentine's new Ambassador in London, Senor Carlos A. Hogan, finds himself immediately involved in a dispute arising from a protest by the Argentine Embassy in London against the ignoring of an invitation suggested by Senora Peron of three Vicer Armstrong workers and their wives to the launching of the Argentine ship, "17th October" in Buenos Aires. Photo shows: Senor Carlos A. Hogan photographed on board the "Senor Peron" with his wife and children, Maria aged 4 and Thomas aged 2, on their arrival in London today.

"Quad Heaven" in the Bronx

New York, Apr. 25.—New York's "Quad Heaven" and their parents will get the keys to their new \$550,000 "Quad Heaven" tonight. The proud borough will present the keys to a dinner for Mr and Mrs Charles Collins, parents of the 11-month-old quads. The new home was built through the co-operation of the Building Trades Unions, the Bronx Chamber of Commerce, members of the American Institute of Architects, and the Borough President's Office.—United Press.

Radio director leaving here for New York

It was learned yesterday that Mr David Keith Hardy, Programme Director of Radio Hongkong, is leaving by air with his wife and family for New York, via Italy and the United Kingdom, at the beginning of May.

Mr Keith Hardy came to Radio Hong Kong as programme director from the BBC in April 1947, and he has also been Correspondent for the BBC in the Colony.

Mr Keith Hardy's place is to be filled for the present by Mr E. L. O'Neill, Show of the Department of Commerce and Industry, who was at Radio Hongkong pre-war as News Editor and Editor of the Hongkong Radio Review.

Mr O'Neill has subsequently returned to the Colony as Programme Director at the special request of the Hongkong Planning Unit of the British Military Administration, in November 1945.

Climax To Crisis Expected

Saigon, Apr. 25.—The Vietnam Ministerial crisis, which has dragged on for three weeks, is now approaching a possibly dramatic climax, informed Government quarters said today.

The head of the State, former Emperor Bao Dai, was expected to insist on the formation of a stronger Government to meet the threat to the country's internal security.

The Vietnam Premier, Nguyen Phan Leu, told pressmen today that if he were forced to resign he would insist on the formation of a completely new Government, not a reshuffle of Ministers.

There were groups manoeuvring against him, he declared.—Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. "Hongkong Calling"—Programme Summary: 6. "Take It from Here"—With Joy Nichols, Dick Bentley and Jimmy Edwards (London Relay); 6.20. Frank Devo and His Orchestra; 6.45. Saxophone Recital by Emilio Salinas with Piano Accompaniment by Vicente Cristobal (Studio); 7. "Lucky Dip"—Variety Request Show Presented by Christine Groom (Studio); 8. World News and News Analysis (London Relay); 8.15. "Orchestra of the Week"—The Halls Orchestra; 8.45. "The English Novel"—Introduction by Geoffrey Gordon (London Relay); 9.10. Weather Report; 9.11. "Spotlight"—A Weekly Variety Show for the Forces by the Forces (Lloyds from the West Lounge, YMCA, Rangoon); 10. French Cabaret; 10.30. Edwin Fischer and His Chamber Orchestra; 10.45. 11. Radio Newswest (London Relay); 11.15. Weather Report, World News and Home News from Britain (Recorded Relay); God Save the King; 11.30. Close down.

RULES OF WAR DEAD AS A DOG

—Says Admiral

London, Apr. 25.—Admiral of the Fleet, Lord Cork, commander of the naval forces in the Norway expedition at the beginning of the war, contended today that the rules governing the laws of war were "as dead as a dog" and must be overhauled.

International law, he told the House of Lords, did not allow for the plea of acting under superior orders.

A flagrant case was that of two German sailors, who were imprisoned in 1945 for their part in machine gunning survivors of the Greek ship, Releus, which was torpedoed in mid-Atlantic by a German submarine in 1942.

The U-boat captain, Heinz Eck, and taken full responsibility for the incident at his trial, Lord Cork said. He had admitted ordering the machine gunning and blowing up of the wreckage and the raft on which were two survivors, to remove all traces of the incident and conceal the presence of the submarine in the area.

He and two officers, to whom he had given orders to open fire on the raft, were sentenced to death and shot. Two other members of the crew were sentenced to life imprisonment and 15 years respectively.

Lord Cork thought it would have been quite enough to have shot the captain, who gave the order, and not to have pursued the matter further down the scale.

STRESS AND STRAIN "I feel that I am acting in the interests of young officers and all ranks and ratings liable to receive orders in the stress and strain of battle and in an emotional atmosphere," Lord Cork said.

The Lord Chancellor, Lord Jowitt, said he absolutely and completely disagreed with Lord Cork, who had criticised "nothing less than the Fuehrer principle." Under this reasoning, if the U-boat commander had said he got his orders

Sharp Clash In Kenya

Nairobi, Apr. 25.—Tribesmen killed three British officials, an African policeman and 20 African civilians in a clash in North-West Kenya yesterday. It was reported here today.

An official statement said they were killed in a fight with Suk tribesmen in the Lake Baringa district, while trying to arrest an African leader of a prescribed fanatical religious society which had been responsible for many disturbances in the past two years.

About 300 Suk tribesmen attacked the police party when they attempted to parley for the arrest of the religious leader. Under a hail of spears, the police opened fire and among the Suk dead was the man they sought to arrest. Reinforcements were sent into the area immediately and the situation was later reported to be under control.—Reuter.

No tanks or guns against Berlin Reds

Berlin, Apr. 25.—Western Allied and German political circles in Berlin today expressed complete astonishment at a Washington Government spokesman's suggestion that tanks and guns might have to be used to counter Communist attempts to invade the Western sectors of Berlin at Whitsun.

"There are no American tanks in Berlin," an official American spokesman said. "United States forces only have tracked weapon carriers." During the past months the three Western Allied Commandants have repeatedly stressed that they had full confidence in the West Berlin police force, which, they said, was capable of dealing with any Communist disorders at Whitsun when 500,000 Communist-led youths are expected to rally in Berlin.

A French official spokesman said that no French military reinforcements had reached Berlin.

PRECAUTIONS

"Nor is there any reason to suppose armed and motorised Russian troops would break into West Berlin under cover of a peace rally or unarmed young Germans," he added. "Naturally all security precautions have been taken, but we do not anticipate any trouble."

A spokesman of the Communist-controlled free German youth said, "We have made it clear in official announcements time and time again that we shall demonstrate in the Soviet sector only, and that we do not intend to yield to American provocations at the sector boundary."—Reuter.

AN ATOMIC SUBMARINE

Washington, Apr. 25.—America is to build an atomic-powered submarine and other radically new type underwater vessels, the United States Navy disclosed today.

The Navy also plans to convert a cruiser into a guided missile combat vessel. The plans were made known in a request to Congress for authority to build 112 vessels. Admiral Forrest Sherman, Chief of Naval Operations, told the House Arms Services Committee that the recommendations were put before the Secretary of Defence, Mr Louis Johnson, in February.

The proposed programme would cost \$335,000,000.—Reuter.

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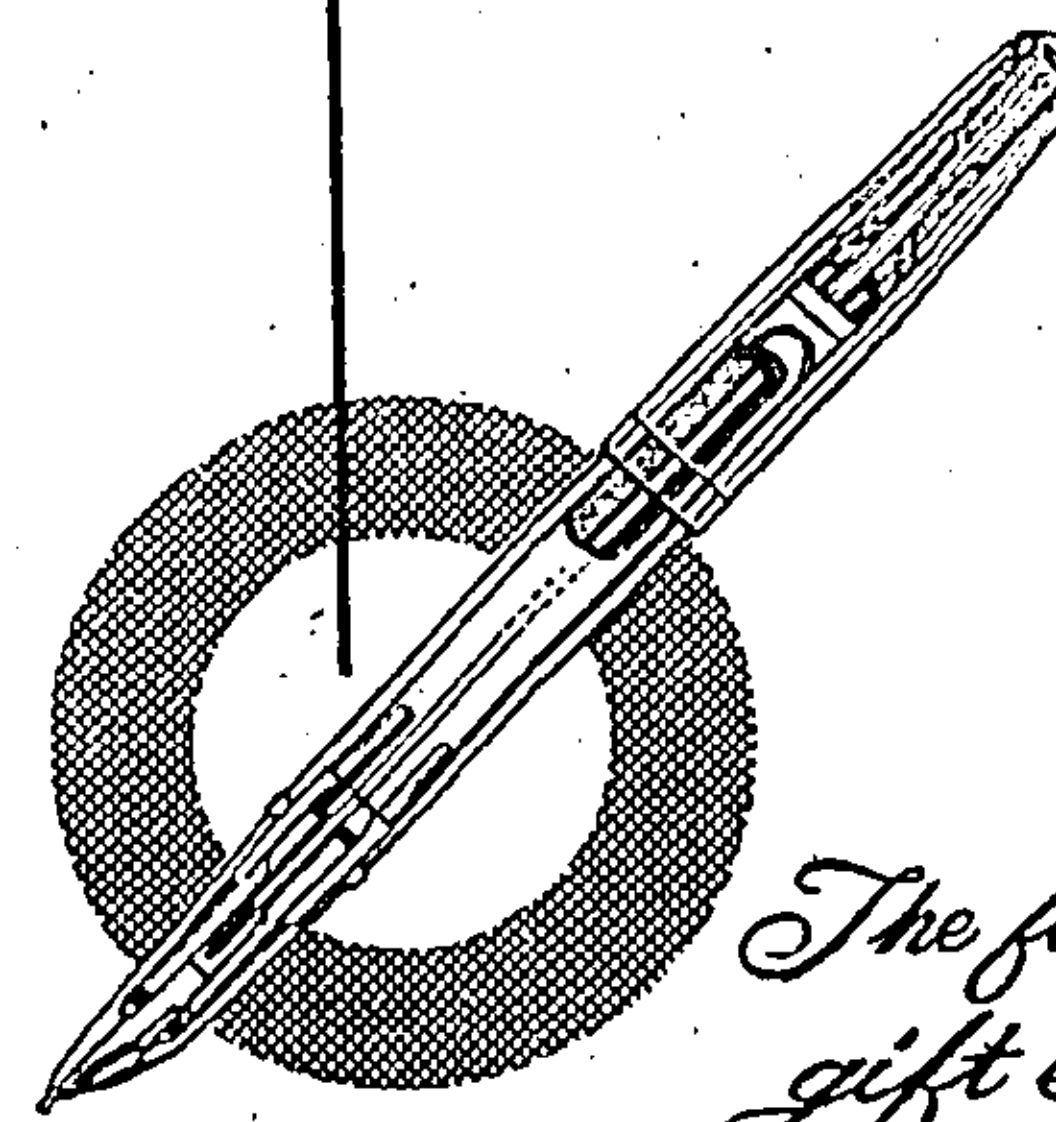
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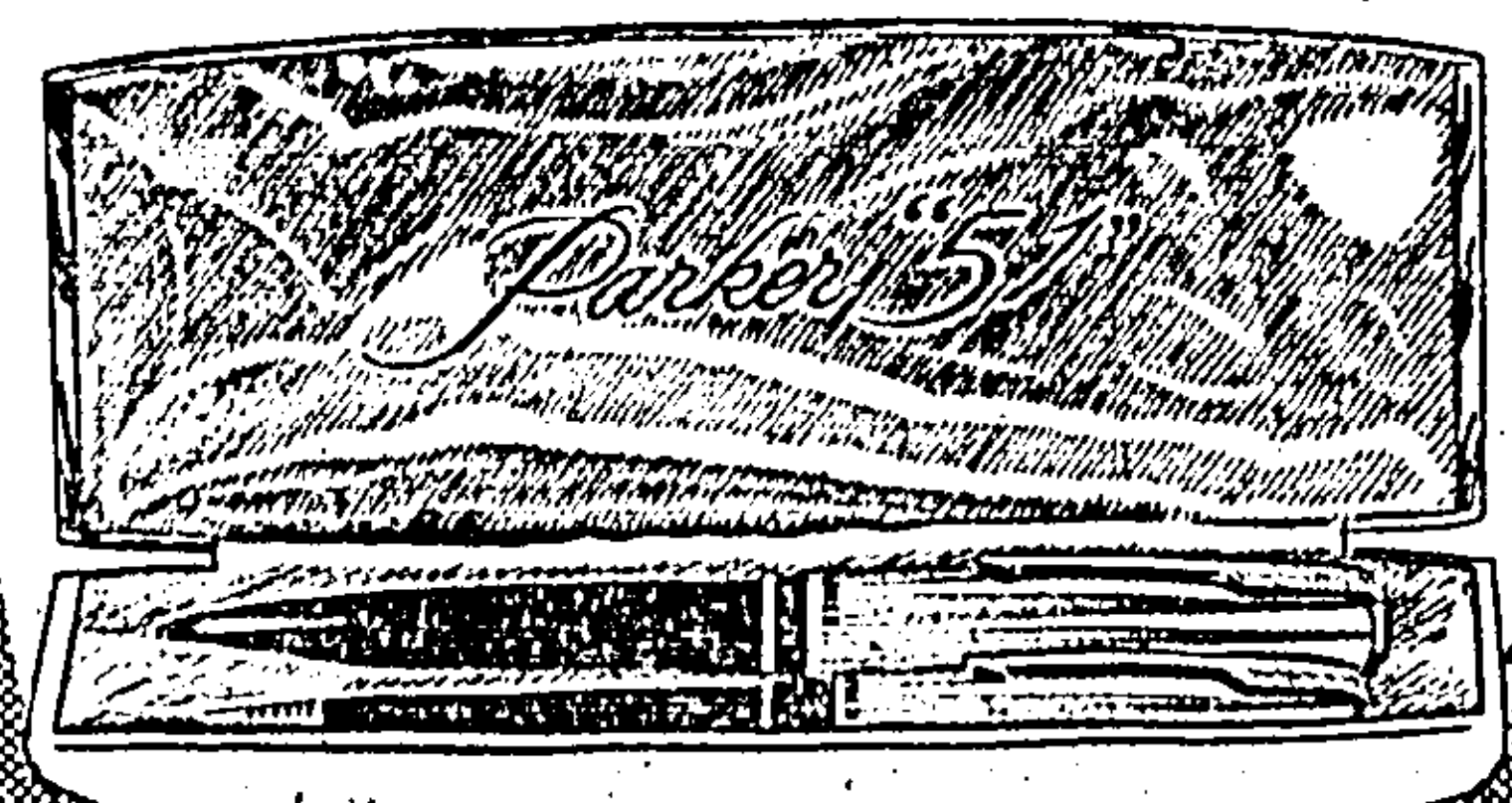
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TERRY ALLEN WINS WORLD FLYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

London, Apr. 25.—Terry Allen, of London, tonight became the World and European Flyweight Champion when he beat Honore Pratesi, of France, on points over 15 rounds at the Harringay Arena here.

The fight was for the titles vacated by Rinty Monaghan, of Northern Ireland, who retired recently.

A late revival by the rapidly tiring Allen in the closing stages clinched the issue after a hard and interesting bout. Allen, with superior speed and boxing technique, scored well with his left to have the better of matters in the first five rounds.

Thwarting Pratesi's efforts to keep the fight at close quarters, the 24-year-old Barrow boy built up a useful lead, but he failed to hang on to this as Pratesi, a 29-year-old Marseilles hospital orderly, warmed up and did so well with his fierce fighting at close quarters that he wiped out the lead.

Allen took plenty of stamina-napping body blows, and as these took effect and slowed him down he became an easier target for the persistent Frenchman.

Boring in relentlessly and throwing Allen out of his stride, the Frenchman made a great effort to regain for France the World title which Young Perez lost in 1932 and which Britain has since held.

But Pratesi could not match the fury of Allen's finishing rally in a toe-to-toe grand slam in the final round, and Allen matched the verdict to retain the titles vacated by Monaghan.

—Reuter.

EDDIE THOMAS WINS

London, Apr. 25.—Eddie Thomas, the British welterweight champion, beat Primo Marescaleg, of France, on points over 10 rounds in a bout preceding the World Flyweight title contest between Terry Allen, of London, and Honore Pratesi, of France, at the Harringay Arena, London, tonight.

—Reuter.

TALBERT & DROBNY IN THE FINAL

Rome, Apr. 25.—Billy Talbert (United States) and Jaroslav Drobný, the self-exiled Czech, today reached the final of the Men's Singles in the Italian Lawn Tennis Championships here.

In the semi-finals Talbert beat Billy Sidwell (Australia) 6-3, 6-1 and 6-0, and Drobný defeated Budgie Patty (United States) by 12-10, 6-1 and 6-3.

Mrs Annalisa Bossi (Italy) beat Miss Barbara Scott (United States) 1-6, 6-3 and 6-3 in the semi-finals of the Women's Singles and in the final will meet Miss Joan Curry (Britain) who defeated Miss Niska Migliori (Italy) by 6-4 and 6-0.

The Mixed Doubles semi-final results were: Adrian Quist (Australia) and Miss Gussie Moran (United States) beat Tony Mottram and Mrs Mottram (Britain) 5-7, 7-5 and 10-8.

Glenn Cuccilli and Mrs Bost (Italy) beat Sidwell (Australia) and Miss Jean Quertier (Britain) by 6-2, 2-6 and 6-4.

Miss Curry and Mrs Mottram beat another British pair, Mrs Betty Hilton and Mrs K. Tucker 2-6, 6-3 and 6-3 in the Women's Doubles semi-finals.

In the final they will meet Mrs Jean Walker Smith and Miss Jean Quertier (Britain), who had already qualified.

—Reuter.

OXFORD TRIAL SNOWED OUT

Oxford, Apr. 25.—Heavy snow during the night prevented a ball being bowled on the last day of the Oxford University cricket trial between M.B. Hefmeyr's side and D.B. Carr's XI.

The match was drawn. In reply to Hefmeyr's first innings score of 295, Carr declared at his overnight total of 387 for seven and going in a second time, Hefmeyr also declared at 207 for seven wickets.

Carr's side made two runs without loss before the second time, Hefmeyr also declared.

Rugger Results

London, Apr. 25.—The following were the results of Rugby Union games played today: Exeter 0, Newport 14.

Teignmouth 8, Gloucester 16. Weston-super-Mare 6, Fulmouth 0.—Reuter.

Facts which must be faced

Year	1946	1947	1948	1949
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Deaths	1,752	1,861	1,961	2,611

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MUTUAL ESTEEM



George Milkan, professional basketball player, and jockey Steve Brooks, Derby winner, shake hands when honoured as tops by Sport Magazine, New York.

John Macadam's Column

SCOTS WILL SEND OFFICIALS TO RIO

Whatever decision the Scots come to on the question of whether they should or should not send a team to Rio—and the betting still is that they will be in there playing—it is certain that Scottish Football Association officials will be at the junket.

The biennial congress of the Federation Internationale de Football Associations is held on June 22-3, the day before the first match of the series in Rio, and Messrs. Graham (SFA secretary) and Kirkwood, the FIFA executive committeeman, will be there, anyhow.

This certainly is ammunition for the fans of the players who, rightly or wrongly, feel that they did well enough against England at Hampden to justify them in thinking they ought to make the trip.

You can understand the attitude of the players, who are of the opinion that they are being hounded on the horns of a whim.

CAUSE OF DECLINE

Latest Soccer club to solicit help in their battle back towards League football are Nelson, claiming an excellent playing record, sound finances, and gates as good as anything in the Third Division North. They place their decline at the feet of the decline of the bad time being enjoyed by the cotton trade, which is one way of explaining away a Soccer downfall.

Torquay United, pipped in the championship race, are still talking about changing their name to Torbay and moving holus-bolus out of their ancient, bigger and better house at Newton Abbot, where they feel they would get not only the room but also the popular support they need to climb out of the Third Division.

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LAWN TENNIS CLUB'S 70TH BIRTHDAY

That venerable lawn tennis club, Finchley Manor, is about to enter its 70th consecutive summer season.

Which is "going some" considering that the Wimbledon Championships themselves began in 1877—73 years ago.

Even so Finchley is not the oldest club, though it is in the first half-dozen. The question is difficult, because various clubs or cricket clubs added the new game as a sideline.

But an investigation carried out by Lawn Tennis and Badminton seemed to establish that Putney, founded in 1870, was the first club still in existence to be founded for lawn tennis only.

A club was formed in Leamington in 1872, but all that remains of it now is a metal plate.

Finchley Manor, Priory Birmingham and Northern Manchester, are all about the same date—1881.

Kilmarnock Wins

London, Apr. 25.—In a friendly match played today, Kilmarnock beat Alderminster by two goals to one.—Reuter.

Duel Between Masked Light & Prince Simon Predicted For The 2,000 Guineas

London, Apr. 25.—The Two Thousand Guineas, to be run over a mile at Newmarket next week, will be won either by the British-owned and bred Masked Light or the American-owned and bred Prince Simon, if "money talks."

This first British Classic, regarded a few weeks ago as being a probable battle between Masked Light and Palestine, with The Golden Road as a possible danger, is now considered to be a duel between Masked Light and the hitherto "dark" American colt, Prince Simon.

It is now believed that Palestine will not stay a fast-run mile and The Golden Road is not thought to be capable of presenting any real danger to the two favourites.

Prince Simon has only been seen out once and probably beat nothing of note, but turf writers have gone into ecstasies about him and punters have been putting down their cash in the belief that he is a ready-made triple crown (Guineas, Derby and St Leger) winner.

"Flawless in every way" is a view taken by one racing critic in describing Mr William Woodward's American colt. He certainly will have to be very good if he is going to lower the colours of the Yorkshire-trained Masked Light.

On his public form, Masked Light, son of Signal Light, has a wonderful chance. There is no question of his having to be taken on trust as must be some extent be the case with Prince Simon.

FOLLOWING NIMBUS

Last week Masked Light went to Thirsk, near his home in Yorkshire, and easily won the Classic Trial Stakes, a race which last year's winner, Nimbus, also took before going on to score at Newmarket.

Everything Masked Light has beaten this season has run so well subsequently that those who criticised his performance in winning on his first outing at Liverpool are beginning to wish they had not been quite so dogmatic.

Only this week Port O'Light won a useful race at Epsom, taking the Blue Riband Trial Stakes of a mile and 110 yards with some ease to supplement his earlier victory in the Greenham Stakes at Newbury.

At Liverpool, Masked Light gave Port O'Light over a stone and a beating of several lengths. Nothing could be clearer, therefore, if the book of form is worth anything at all, than that Prince Simon has got to be every bit as good as his admirers say if he is to lower the colours of this Yorkshire-trained colt.

Those who go to Newmarket on Wednesday to watch the race will be keenly anticipating the running of Prince Simon, particularly if they have backed the son of Prince Quillo for the Derby.

TOO SHARP & BENDING?

There are those who think the Derby course will not suit him, on the grounds that it is too sharp and bending for this big colt.

On the other hand, Prince Simon's trainer, Captain Cecil Boyd-Hochford, said recently that he saw no reason why the colt should not act on the Epsom course, though he added that only the race itself could prove this.

Neither Masked Light nor Prince Simon will back support from the saddle, for the English horse is to be ridden by Douglas Smith, who is riding well this season, and the American by the Royal Jockey, Harry Carr.

Henry VIII Stakes at Hurst Park, beating Donore, a stable companion of Prince Simon, without much difficulty, he gave the impression to most onlookers that he had not enough of this race.

Doubts were promptly cast on his ability to get the extra furlong at Newmarket, and he drifted badly subsequently in the betting.

Smirke, who rode the grey colt at Hurst Park and who will ride him at Newmarket, does not agree with the detractors of the Aga Khan's colt. He thinks he will definitely stay the mile next Wednesday.

If he does, he may yet prove a speedy rival for his shorter priced market rivals, though, taking a line through Donore, the grey should not finish in front of Masked Light.—Reuter.

FINAL CALLOVER

London, Apr. 25.—Only seven of the 20 runners were quoted at the final callover at the Victoria Club tonight.

Most of the bookmakers were at Newmarket and not a great deal of business was done.

Mr E. Wankless' Masked Light maintained his position as favourite, although he eased from 2 to 1 to 5 to 2. This was the result of support for Mr William Woodward's American-bred colt, Prince Simon, from 7 to 2 to 3 to 1.

Gordon Richards' mount, The Golden Road, owned by Sir Percy Lorraine, was easy to back and went out to tons.

TENNIS LEAGUE ENTIRES

The following changes have been made in the Colony Tennis League: USRC—No team entered in Mixed "A" Division.

SCAA has just withdrawn its Ladies "B" entry. Therefore, the KCC Ladies "B" team will have a bye on May 1.

Friday, May 5.—Mixed "B" Division. An additional match pits USRC against SCAA at the URC grounds.

ON THE RECORD AMERICAN RECORDS COMMITTEE HAD QUITE A JOB

A recent issue of the official monthly publication of the National Amateur Athletic Union of the United States devotes five of its pages to nothing more than a list of American records in athletics and swimming set in 1949 and accepted or rejected by its Records Committee meeting at San Francisco in December.

Each record is given one or two lines of description in type smaller than that of this column and each page of the magazine is nine inches from the top down.

Records covered are both men's and women's and a very small percentage of them were rejected. Applications are only made when everything seems to be in order and where there is a chance of a sprint performance in record-breaking time, no application will normally be made.

If the day is approaching when records in all events will be of such a standard that it will take a Superman to beat them, it is certainly not yet around the corner.

A good many of the records accepted, though, equal rather than better the old marks. This is particularly true of sprint events. The records cover odd distances for the running races and short and long course swimming times.

But even if they covered performances in the double hop, skip and jump, or the hop, step and double jump—which they don't—it is still remarkable that so many records can be broken in one year.

Barney Ewell and Lloyd LaBeach, who were record and third in the short sprint in the last Olympic Games, join Jesse Owens and Harold Davis as holders of the 100 Metres record in 10.2 seconds. A 20.2 seconds effort by Lloyd LaBeach over 200 Metres at Compton, California, was not approved and Owens remains the sole record-holder in 20.3 seconds.

In the 60 Yards Sprint—standard distance in the indoor meets—Bill Dwyer's 6.1 seconds in New York was recognised as his co-holder of the record with Ralph Metcalfe, Jesse Owens, Sam Stoller, Ben Johnson, Perrin Walker, Bill Carter, Herbert Thompson, Barney Ewell, Edward Conwell and Thomas Carey.

Looking over this set of the fastest sprinters ever, the one who stands out as the kingpin of them all is Herbert Thompson, a complete unknown to the Olympic Games, who is the only one credited with three recognised efforts in 6.1 seconds—in 1939, 1942 and again in 1943.

He was never an Olympic Champion for a very simple reason—there were no Games between 1939 and 1948. Ewell is the only one of the others who twice did the distance in 6.1 seconds, in 1942 and again in 1947.

Six seconds flat for 60 Yards has yet to be done and probably never will be. Seven seconds flat for 70 Yards was secured in 1947 by a year by Buddy Phillips at Wayne University at Chicago. Outside of this most remarkable effort, now recognised as an American record, Coleman is a complete unknown and has never figured prominently in good company.

One of the most remarkable of the new records is the 33 seconds flat for 300 Metres (about 327 Yards) managed by the new sprint sensation, Andrew Stander of Selon Hall, at Orebro, Sweden, last August.

The old record had stood for 38 years at 33.2 seconds in the name of one of the most famous sprinters of them all, Charley

The prices were:

5 to 2 Masked Light.

3 to 1 Prince Simon.

5 to 1 Palestine.

10 to 1 The Golden Road.

100 to 8 Welsh View.

20 to 1 Emperor.

20 to 1 Rising Flame.

33 to 1 any others.—Reuter.

Paddock, who set it at Redlands, California, in 1921.

Paddock, who still holds the record for 110 Yards in 10.2 seconds, must be reckoned as one of the greatest sprinters of modern times. 110 yards is just a little longer than 100 Metres.

On the number of records over the sprint distances from 60 Yards to 300 Metres that they still hold, his principal challengers to the title of "Fastest Ever" are Ralph Metcalfe, Jesse Owens, John Johnstone, Harold Dwyer, Herbert Thompson, Barney Ewell, Mel Patton and Andrew Stander. Of the lot, only Paddock, Owens and Patton have been Olympic Champions.

Owens and Ben Johnson have run 60 Metres (about 65 yards) in 6.6 seconds, which may be considered a better effort than 60 Yards in 6.1 second.

One of the most interesting of the records is the 1 minute 50 seconds effort for the Swedish Relay (100, 200, 300, 400 Metres) set by the team of Andrew Stander, Richard Ault, Craig Dixon and Mel Whitfield at Basle, Switzerland, last August.

This represents an average 11.5 seconds per 100 Metres, or faster time than anyone has done in Hongkong this year in the short sprint. If Stander ran his 100 Metres lap in 10.2 seconds and Whitfield his 400 Metres lap in 46 seconds, either of which performances would tie the world record over these distances, that still left only 53.2 seconds for Ault and Dixon—both of them hurdlers rather than sprinters—for the remaining 300 Metres.

If Dixon ran his 300 Metres in 33 seconds, which would also tie the world record, that would leave 20.2 seconds for Ault to run his 200 Metres lap, and that would beat the world record.

The world and Olympic record for the 400 Metres Relay is 39.8 seconds, set by the American team of Jesse Owens, Ralph Metcalfe, Foy Draper and Frank Wykoff at Berlin in 1936.

This gives the four an average of 9.95 seconds per 100 Metres, and suggests that if all were running their fastest, which would average 10.2 seconds each from a crouch start, they gained 1.4 seconds on the baton exchanges, or an average of about a half-second, each as the first runner does go off a crouch start.

Thus, we can figure that, at their slowest, Ault and Dixon would be in performances equivalent to 20.7 and 33.5 seconds off a crouch start and that puts both in Olympic class as potential 200 and 400 Metres champions. Both were in the last Olympic Games as hurdlers, Dixon placing third in the High Hurdles and Ault fourth in the 400 Metres Hurdles.

A record of the recognition of which was withheld further detail on its accomplishment was the 12.7 seconds taken by Craig Dixon over the 120 Yards Low Hurdles. The hurdles in this record attempt were 2 feet 6 inches instead of 3 feet 6 inches high. The world record for the standard high hurdles event is 12.6 seconds by Harrison Dillard, Dixon having done 13.8 seconds at his best.

One record-breaker who gave the Records Committee a considerable amount of work was Allen Stack, the Olympic Back Stroke Champion from Yale, who had 11 records he set accepted and one rejected, all over the back stroke route from 100 Metres to 500 Metres. By comparison, "Flyish" Fish, Furuhashi had only five records to put before the Committee, all of which were accepted.

—RECORDED.

